

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

November 2, 1999

H.R. 1487

An act to provide for public participation in the declaration of national monuments under the act popularly known as the Antiquities Act of 1906

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on October 20, 1999

The Antiquities Act of 1906 authorizes the President to declare landmarks, structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest that are on federal land to be national monuments. H.R. 1487 would amend this act to require that the President solicit public participation and comment and consider information available from existing management plans and programs in the development of national monument declarations. H.R. 1487 also would require that future management plans for national monuments developed subsequent to a declaration made under H.R. 1487 comply with the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

CBO estimates that implementing this legislation would not have a significant impact on the federal budget. The act would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 1487 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

On July 16, 1999, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 1487, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on June 30, 1999. The two versions of the legislation are similar, and the cost estimates are the identical.

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